

The \$1,000 Bribe.

Mr. EDITOR:—I am surprised at the proposition to give the bribe lately offered to the Sheriff in the case of Colt to his child.

When there are so many poor infant children in want, whose honest virtuous parents through life have obeyed every law, human and divine, is it not strange to single this one out for public charity, where both parents openly violated the decencies of society, and where atrocious crimes and deeds of uncommon horror closed the final scene? Is not the proposed plan a bounty in prospect for those who first disgrace their race, and then commit such outrages as are scarcely paralleled in the annals of mankind? The murdered man and his family are forgotten; the murderer and his paramour are made heroes, and their child is to be a public beneficiary! No! let the misfortune of this child—this innocent child—in being born of such parents, stand as one warning to others not to leave to their children such a legacy of shame.

Rev. Mr. JACKSON is lecturing in St. Paul's Church on Sunday evenings, on the connection between Popular Education and Public Morals. His Lecture last Sunday evening is very highly commended.

BROOKLYN BANK.—The case of the Brooklyn Bank against Samuel A. Willoughby, which was so ably argued before the Supreme Court, by their May term, on an appeal from the Superior Court, has recently been decided at Rochester, by a unanimous decision in favor of Mr. Willoughby, reversing the judgment of the Court below. We understand that Mr. Willoughby intends immediately to enter a prosecution against the directors of the Bank, to recover all the loss he has sustained on his \$50,000 of stock, and damages \$30,000, by reason of their misconduct, inattention to the affairs of the Bank, and retaining Corwin as teller, five months, contrary to a resolution to discharge him, passed by the board just before Mr. Willoughby retired from the institution. The amount in controversy was about \$20,000. [Eve. Post.]

FIRE AT PITTSFIELD.—We learn from the Springfield Gazette that the Parsonage House, occupied by Rev. John Todd, in Pittsfield, took fire on the morning of the 23rd ult., and was burnt to the ground. Most of the furniture, libraries, &c., were destroyed. The fire took in the roof, from sparks—the chimney, its suppo, having caught fire. The house belonged to the Congregational Society, and was valued at about \$2000—no insurance.

A MURDERER.—A black demon called "Lock Skillit" a couple of weeks since fled from Winston Co., Miss., to escape punishment for whipping a negro girl to death. It is supposed he killed another in the same way about a year since.

JUDGE STOKES.—We regret to learn that the health of this indefatigable magistrate has been so enfeebled by his unremitting attention to the duties of his office in the Circuit Court of this district that he has been obliged to delay giving his opinions in the jury trials for the present term, except in some few cases of bankruptcy now before him.

WESTERN RAILROAD.—The receipts last week were nearly \$11,000. The Directors of the road have established the fare from Boston to Albany at six dollars, instead of five, which has been the rate during the past summer.

THE BARK MALORY, Capt. Brown, from Campden, for New-York, went ashore on Long Branch during the gale on Wednesday evening, and will probably be a total loss. The Malory is owned at the Eastward—her cargo of logwood was consigned to Howard & Aspinwall, and is fully insured in this city. [Amer.]

PULL BILLS are the order of the day and night at the American Museum, the weather to the contrary notwithstanding. Winchell, the most original and comic clown on the stage, with thirteen other unrivaled performers, in connection with all the curiosities of the Museum, from the most grotesque to the most sublime, will appear at 3 o'clock.

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